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CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT

West Fork Bitterroot River Road (along Painted Rocks Lake) MT PFH 66-1(3)

Accomplishments through April 25, 2003:

Crews continue to repair damaged silt fence. Another roll of Gabion baskets have been completed on Wall # 2. Surveying has commenced. The 18' culvert for Slate Creek has been ordered, delivery is expected by May 19, 2002.

Future activities planned for the project:

Work on gabion wall # 2, north end of project will continue next week and possibly be completed by the end of the week. They will also start placing culverts across the roadway on Monday, South of Slate Creek, so the **road closures will start**. By mid week the excavation/embankment operation should start North of Slate Creek. Excavation operations for the new 18' Slate Creek Culvert should start in the next couple of weeks.

Other news of note:

As a reminder the road open/closure schedule is as follows:

7:00 pm to 8:00 am	Open Road
8:00 am to 10:00 am	Road Closure Permitted
10:00 am to 12:00 pm	Open Road
12:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Road Closure Permitted
3:00 pm to 5:00 pm	Open Road
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Road Closure Permitted

During Open Road periods you should expect short delays for a pilot car and/or flaggers.

Please refer your questions, comments, or concerns to Todd Butikofer at (406) 821-9932 Drive Safe!

